# GREENWAYS

Newsletter of D&R Greenway Land Trust, Inc. Volume 23, Number 1 Spring 2014

#### Land Preservation Update

Since 1989, D&R Greenway has placed 255 properties, approximately 18,200 acres, valued at \$365,303,622, into permanent preservation, an area twenty times greater than the size of New York's Central Park.

supporters. Thank you.

2014 marks the 25th anniversary of our founding in 1989. Over these many years, we have grown from the small seed of an idea into a soundly rooted tree with many branches. The work we do every day remains focused on land preservation. We know that what we save now—before it is lost—will be here forever. Lands that enable clean water and fresh air. Habitat for native plants, birds and wildlife. Local farms that produce fresh, local food. Places for children to play and for *all of us* to be inspired and refreshed. This is the legacy that is D&R Greenway Land Trust.

his was a good year for preservation. In 2013, another 1,000 acres was preserved by D&R Greenway with the help of our partners and

Why do we care? Because without our efforts, the very survival of the human species is at risk. The work we do provides the essential ingredients for life. It contributes to the well-being of every man, woman and child who lives in this region we call home. We're in this together—and we are grateful to all of D&R Greenway's supporters who are investing in our collective future.



Watching the grandchildren weave their way among 1,500 pound cows, the Howards' ruminate on their investment in land that turned into food for the soul.

"It was an alternative 401k Plan," explained Dr. Charles Howard of his 35-acre farm in Montgomery Township. "We figured we could sell it someday for development." As retirement approached and it was time

to think of cashing in his "401k", Dr. Howard, a radiologist, and his wife Edie decided they did not want to part with the land.

The Howards' bought their circa 1750 farmhouse on 10 acres in Belle Mead in 1976, enthusiastic about raising four children in a rural environment. Three years later they added another 25 acres. With the help of Joel Nystrom, a local farmer, they





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began the adventure of farming. Joel sold them Angus cattle. *They had never owned cattle*. Then came the equipment: tractors, plow, harrow, hay rake and baler. *They had never before planted or harvested a field*. The experience of owning a farm became an adventure and great learning experience for the whole family!

Eventually, the herd of cows numbered 30 with a resident 2,500 pound bull. To protect the neighbor's lawns they built sturdy fencing with Osage Orange posts they cut from the Nystrom's hedge rows. Every spring when the hay was ready the Howard's four children, friends, relatives, and neighbors joined in the 'fun' of haying.

"Raising Angus for food turned two of our kids into vegetarians," comments Dr. Howard, as he and Edie, surrounded by six happy dogs, return to the house invigorated by their daily two-mile hike on the land. The Howards "family" grew to include horses which their daughters rode, chickens for fresh eggs and a variety of cats, which at one time numbered as many as seventeen. "When the kids were little they'd sell the eggs to Continued on page 2

# Howard Farm Preservation

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neighbors," recounts Dr. Howard. Eventually, all the animals, cows included, became family pets. "Any animal here has a lifelong home."

The 35-acre Howard Farm in Montgomery Township is the 253rd property protected by D&R Greenway since its founding in 1989. Today the farm is surrounded by suburban homes, an oasis of the town's rural character in a developed landscape. "The Howards' open working farm is important to the surrounding community," says D&R Greenway President Linda Mead. "It is bordered on three sides by houses. The next crop would surely have been tract homes if the Howards hadn't made the important move to preserve it."

Sharing the open space with family is one of the greatest pleasures in owning the farm. Son Tim and his wife Sharon were fortunate enough to have the opportunity to raise their three children across the field from the farmhouse. Daughters Julie and Laura bring the other grandchildren to visit as often as possible, and son Alan enjoys one of his favorite hobbies in a woodshop in one of the barns.

A chance encounter, Dr. Howard met Belle Mead resident Wade Martin of Morgan Stanley while having breakfast at the Harlingen deli one morning. Sketching out a plan for preservation and showing Dr. Howard the numbers on a napkin, Wade provided the solution to both retirement funding and keeping the farm intact.

Wade has worked with D&R Greenway for over 15 years. A passionate advocate for preservation as a smart investment, Wade became



Land preservation on a napkin



Edie and Charlie Howard with Wade Martin enjoy the protected bucolic landscape.

an enthusiastic supporter in 1997 when he realized D&R Greenway could help him save the character of the community where he grew up.

"I show clients the difference between how much money you get vs. how much money you keep when you sell for preservation instead of development," says Wade. "The Howards could have sold to a developer but they would have lost their view and their way of life. They would have had to pay capital gains taxes and rollback taxes, equal to three years of property taxes for each lot. A lot of people don't understand this."

"Most people need the income but don't want to develop the property, so preservation is a great step to take. People just have to do the numbers — just as we did on a napkin at the deli," Wade continued. "The landowner is better off preserving and utilizing tax deductions than selling to developers and paying taxes. You keep your land and your view, and it's better for the community."

The Howards sold the development rights for their farm at a bargain sale price, donating a substantial portion of the value to the community.

D&R Greenway brought together the township, county and state to provide the funding—something a single entity could not do alone.

"That's D&R Greenway's strength," says Wade, "to get everyone on the same page so everyone walks away happy. The Township of Montgomery, the County of Somerset and the State of New Jersey, local residents, Charlie and Edie and

D&R Greenway — everyone is playing on the same team."

Montgomery's Mayor Rich Smith noted, "The Township is excited to see another local family farm preserved, and extends our thanks to the State Agriculture Development Committee and Somerset County for funding the project, and to D&R Greenway for structuring the deal and shepherding it to the finish line."

The Howards benefit from the sale of the development rights in their lifetime. Residents of more than 20 houses backing up to the farm get to enjoy the view, dogs and kids can kick up their heels as they run together, and all the friends and family who walk the field become acquainted with the multitude of wildflowers, birds, and animals that now also have permanent homes on the farm.

The added value, achieved with guidance from Wade Martin and Morgan Stanley, is that the proceeds gained from the bargain sale provided gifts to the Howard children and grandchildren. D&R Greenway benefited with a gift from the Howards as well, to ensure that the critical work of preserving and caring for land can continue into the future.

"Preservation of the land is worthwhile all around," says Dr. Howard. "The Township and community can enjoy the open land forever and we get to continue to enjoy the richness it gives our lives. The true 'investment' we made all those years ago was, in reality, an investment in our family and our lives." It's a win-win for all.

# 2014 Guided Public Trail Walks

P lease RSVP! Some walks have a limited capacity. Call us at (609) 924-4646 or send us an email to rsvp@drgreenway.org to reserve a spot. Visit www.drgreenway.org for dates and directions to each trail walk.

#### Inaugural Trail Walk at Rocktown Woods Preserve

Sat., May 17, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon Leader: Alan Hershey, Retired D&R Greenway Trustee and NJ Trails Leader

Join us for the inaugural walk on this 2.2-mile trail, which meanders across a brook, climbs to a ridge, and descends through Omick Woods.

#### A Celebration of Spring at the Sourlands Ecosystem Preserve

Sat., May 24, 9:00 – 11:00 a.m. Leader: Jim Amon, Director of Stewardship, D&R Greenway

This walk is timed to see the ephemeral woodland wildflowers in bloom and the migratory songbirds that come to New Jersey every year.

#### National Trails Day Celebration at Pryde's Point

Co-host: Blue Ridge Mountain Sports

Sat., June 7, 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon Leader: Deb Brockway, Volunteer Trail Crew Leader Every year on the first Saturday in June, organizations around the country celebrate National Trails Day. Join us for a walk on our Pryde's Point Trail to celebrate!

#### Stony Brook Adventure & Family Picnic

Co-host: Stony Brook Millstone Watershed Association. \$5 per person. Tues., July 8, 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. Leader: Jeff Hoagland, Education Director, SBMWA

Our annual family picnic and a children's exploration of critters that live in the water. Bring your picnic dinner (drinks and desserts provided) to enjoy on the terrace and later explore the brook!

# Urban Park Creation in Bordentown City

Sat., September 6, 10:00 – 11:30 a.m.

Leader: Diana Raichel, Conservation Biologist, D&R Greenway

An urban park and ecological restoration project in-the-making at Lime Kiln Alley Preserve in Bordentown City. Linked properties preserved along freshwater tidal Blacks Creek create a greenway in this historic area.

#### Native Plant Nursery Tour and Garden Walk

Wed., September 10, 5:00 – 6:00 p.m. Leader: Emily Blackman, Native Plant Nursery Manager, D&R Greenway

A behind-the-scenes tour of our nursery and native plant gardens, with plants available for purchase.



Majestic trees line the trails in Omick Woods at Rocktown Woods Preserve

#### Fall Landscapes at Cedar Ridge Preserve

Sat., October 11, 9:30 – 11:30 a.m. Leader: Jim Amon

A walk through Cedar Ridge's different ecosystems — meadows filled with golden-rod and other late-blooming flowers, hedgerows beginning to put on their colors for the fall show, stream corridors brimming with life, and dark cedar forests.

#### Roadside Geology Field Tour

Sat., October 18, 9:00 – 3:00 pm. Rain Date: Sat., October 25 Leader: David Harper, author of Roadside Geology of New Jersey.

Fee: see website to register.

Purchase a signed copy of *Roadside Geology of New Jersey* by David Harper at www.drgreenway.org/giving.html – \$30 (S&H included).

# A Prescription for Nature

H undreds of studies have documented the effect of green space on health outcomes:

- Copenhagen: Living a short distance from a park was linked to less stress and a lower BML
- USA: Children with ADHD were more able to focus in nature than in a built outdoor or inside environment, and children in lowincome households lowered their risk for asthma by living near areas with higher tree density.
- **Japan:** Green neighborhoods and more parks = greater longevity for elderly.

Source: National Parks magazine, a publication of the National Parks Conservation Association.

# D&R Greenway 25th Anniversary Events

Art exhibits and events take place at the Johnson Education Center and are free unless otherwise indicated. For (\*) ticketed events, visit www.drgreenway.org. For gallery hours and to RSVP, please send a message to rsvp@drgreenway.org or call (609) 924-4646.

Stop by the Johnson Education Center to enjoy "Champions: Best of the Best"

D&R Greenway's Jay Vawter Decoy Collection on exhibit through Summer 2014.

### Special Events

# "Princeton's First Flower Show"

Fri., April 25, 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. Tickets: \$25 per person

Enjoy juried art and floral designs and see who won 1st, 2nd and 3rd prize. Participate in a silent auction featuring Hunterdon County artist Mary Ackerman Buckwalter's floral paintings.

#### 25th Anniversary Greenway Gala

Sun., September 14, 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. Meredith's Garden of Inspiration at the Johnson Education Center

Join us for a celebration of D&R Greenway's 25 years of preserving open space in New Jersey.

#### Art Exhibits

### "Oasis and Mirage: Disappearing Water"

Through May 23, 2014

Out of 400 submissions, chosen multimedia art is displayed. This juried exhibit celebrates D&R Greenway's founding mission: the protection of water.



"A Perfect Morning," by Beth Parcell Evans

### "Seasonal Splendor"

In Partnership with the Garden State Watercolor Society

June 13 – August 8

A signature members' juried exhibit featuring interpretations from artists of distinction of the beauty and color of the seasons.

# **Opening Reception**

Fri., July 11, 5:30 – 7:00 p.m.

Experience award-winning art and meet the artists.

## Olivia Rainbow Gallery

#### Seasonscapes

In partnership with Princeton Photography Club

April 8 - May 2

Digitally enhanced juried photography with prizes awarded to high school students.

# **Expressionistic Flowers**

Summer, 2014

Stuart Country Day School artists return to the Olivia Rainbow Gallery with "Expressionistic Flowers." Large, vivid watercolors bring the best of summer indoors, through children's eyes.

#### "The Best of Species on the Edge"

Fall, 2014

This juried exhibition features favorite winners from Conserve Wildlife NJ's annual art competition. Fifth-grade students choose, then study a specific endangered or threatened species of New Jersey wildlife and submit art evoking that creature, accompanied by a short essay.

#### Native Plant Sales

#### Spring Native Plant Sale

Friday, May 16, 3:00 – 6:00 p.m. Saturday, May 17, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon

#### Fall Native Plant Sale

Friday, Sept. 12, 3:00 – 6:00 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 13, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon

Our native plant nursery at the Johnson Education Center is **open on Fridays from June 6** 

through August 29, 3:00 – 6:00 p.m. (with the exception of July 4). Ask for Emily Blackman who will show you a variety of natives to choose from.

# Volunteers

**D**&R Greenway Land Trust volunteers are vital to our success and make important contributions:

- In 2013, our Native Plant Nursery volunteers planted and cared for more than 50 species of native plants. These plants are being used to restore native landscapes on D&R Greenway preserves, on partner lands and in our supporters' own backyards.
- Our New Jersey Trails volunteers cleared miles of trails that contribute to a greenway network throughout our region. They field-check information that is posted on www.njtrails.org. Led by former D&R Greenway Board Chair, Alan Hershey, volunteers from age 16 to 80+ move boulders, forge through brush and build pedestrian bridges.
- Our Stewardship volunteers multiply the work of our interns and staff, enjoying the community spirit of volunteering. The next time you enjoy a D&R Greenway

preserve, think about the volunteer efforts that go into caring for the land. Our preserves require careful tending to remove invasive species, restore habitats and maintain trails.

- The Native Seed Project volunteers have been remarkable in every way! From the planting of seedlings to harvest, their work has been invaluable. Without the support of our volunteers in planting, weeding, mowing and harvesting, we could not be successful.
- Willing Hands assist events, art openings and educational programs. They generously ensure that the latest information about D&R Greenway activities reach our supporters. Willing Hands provide hospitality and welcoming smiles at our events.

D&R Greenway Land Trust thanks each of our volunteers for their unique partnership in our mission. To learn about volunteer opportunities, please call (609) 924-4646 or visit www.drgreenway.org.

# Volunteer Recognition

#### ART VOLUNTEERS

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## The Changing of the Guard:

# Long-time Trustees Inspire New Enthusiasm

"A small group of us started with the idea of saving land. What D&R Greenway has become today is beyond our wildest dreams." — Founder Sam Hamill

On occasion of our 25th anniversary, former trustees gathered to share stories and talk about new ideas for the next 25 years.

In 1989, central New Jersey was a developer's dream with wide open fields, beautiful forests and abundant clean water to support a growing population. Local communities were still thinking about "ratables" from new taxes, and hadn't yet begun to realize the impact of new houses with schoolchildren and cars. Today D&R Greenway has preserved 18,200 acres of land.

Our Board of Trustees guides the organization. In the beginning, they were the worker bees. As D&R Greenway grew with professional staff and a larger land preservation vision, they set the policies that enabled us to make a difference in local communities. Their dedication and care secured our reputation as a can-do land trust statewide and nationally.

In January 2014, seven long-time trustees reached term limits. We are grateful for their commitment over many years.

- Richard Goldman, Esq.
- Meg Gorrie
- Alex Hanson
- Retiring Chair, Alan Hershey
- Cate Litvack
- · Hella McVay
- Mark Solomon, Esq.



Newly-elected 2014 trustees (l-r) Johan Firmenich, John Rassweiler (reelected after hiatus from Board), Betsy Sands, and Cynthia De Lisi Smith with D&R Greenway President Linda Mead and new Chairman of the Board Brian Breuel (Missing from photo: Liza Morehouse, Beverly Taylor)

Their passion continues as they serve on committees and help with special projects.

"I am so proud of D&R Greenway — from its small humble beginnings to a leader in innovative and collaborative ways to preserve land from the mountains, to the farm fields and even our urban centers," said Richard Goldman, Esq., former trustee and Chair. "I have been honored to participate over these past 23 years in developing and nurturing the comprehensive vision and planning for preservation that has become the

hallmark of D&R Greenway."

Long-time trustee Cate Litvack shared, "D&R Greenway's work will never be done. The D&R Greenway community will grow and flourish. I'm so glad to be a part of a truly remarkable 'family'."

New trustees elected in 2014 are: Cynthia De Lisi Smith, Esq., Johan Firmenich, Liza Morehouse, John Rassweiler, Ph.D., Betsy Sands and Beverly Taylor. Together, we all look forward to making an impact that will continue the next 25 years and beyond.



(l to r) Grant Kvalheim, Rush Holt, Brian Breuel and Mark Solomon, Esq.



Alan Hershey

# The Taplin Circle

Frank Taplin was a respected philanthropist who championed the cause of land preservation. His vision and leadership resulted in the permanent protection of two signature Princeton landscapes, the Institute Woods and Coventry Farm.

In 2004, D&R Greenway Land Trust honored Frank Taplin's memory and his support of land preservation by creating the Taplin Circle, to recognize individuals who contribute \$1,000 or more annually to support D&R Greenway's critical work. Members of the Taplin Circle share Frank's commitment to preserving the land, the historic character and the natural resources of New Jersey.

All members of the Taplin Circle are invited to a special reception annually where they hear first-hand about the accomplishments that their support makes possible.

Please note that Taplin Circle members who have made a multi-year pledge are listed here at their most recent pledge payment level. Multi-year pledges in effect in 2013 are noted on page 9.

We express our deepest thanks and appreciation to the members of the Taplin Circle for their leadership in supporting the work of D&R Greenway Land Trust.

To request a correction to this donor list, please call D&R Greenway at (609) 924-4646.

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shape the character of our region. D&R Greenway encourages our supporters to patronize these businesses in appreciation for the investment they, in turn, have made in the quality of life in our communities.

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## Over 25 years, D&R Greenway preserved 18,200 acres.

sing accepted land planning standards, those acres could have become:

- 9,100 homes
- 20,020 schoolchildren
- 3,185,000 gallons of water used daily
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# Foundation & Non-Profit Donors

The support of our foundation and non-profit partners ■ is critical to D&R Greenway's work. We especially welcome new supporters, and recognize those who have

joined us in our mission for many years. Together, we are preserving lands and building communities.

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# D&R Greenway's 25th Anniversary

# DOWN-TO-EARTH BALL

# Chateau in the Woods

Hosted by Sandra & Tim Perkins at their beautiful home on Meadowtree Farm

*Saturday*, *May* 10, 2014 6:30 – 11:00 p.m.

- 6:30 p.m. Music, cocktails and light hors d'oeuvres
  - 7:30 p.m. Elegant farm-to-table fare
    - Live auction during dinner
  - 9:00 11:00 p.m. Dance to the TONE RANGERS

Dress is Lawn Party Chic!

A fun-filled night under the stars!

# Preserved Inside and Out... Meadowtree Farm

Meadowtree Farm sits on the 10,000th acre preserved by D&R Greenway and is located on Carter Road at the edge of Princeton. Noted as the oldest "new house" in the country, this magnificent country estate boasts the finest elements of two time-periods.

Built since World War II, the mansion is embellished with materials emblematic of





the period of Louis XVI. The home's paneled rooms, fireplace mantels, doors, stairways, flooring, iron railings and chandeliers have come from such places as the former Cornelius Vanderbilt mansion on Fifth Avenue, the Shaw Estate in Massachusetts and the Chateau de Petit Trianon.

Surrounded by a backdrop of preserved lands, the ambiance of Meadowtree Farm sets the mood for a grand 25th Anniversary Down-To-Earth Ball.

# One-of-a-kind Live Auction

# Bring your Calendar!

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estination NY Jets. Bid on a package that gives you access to the Owners Suite at MetLife Stadium to watch a 2014 home game with the Johnson family and the other "interesting and famous" who join them.

Who knows, perhaps you'll see Joe Namath on the field!

t takes a New York minute to bid on an enchanted L weekend stay in a Manhattan apartment with a tour of The New York Botanical Garden and more.

# Buy a ticket for a unique gathering hosted by generous friends of **D&R** Greenway

- Wine and Hors d'ouvres tasting after-hours at Brick Farm Market
- Sunset Yoga at Tusculum
- Apple Picking at Eastbrook Farm
- Owl Prowl at Midnight



Absentee bids accepted at www.drgreenway.org

Nic & Joe Photo Show: Preserve your memories of this evening with a keepsake photo!

For an invitation or additional information, please call (609) 924-4646.

# 2013 Partners in Preservation

**D**&R Greenway Land Trust thanks our Partners in Preservation for their investment in our mission. With your support we are able to:

- Permanently preserve and care for natural areas, farms and historic landscapes for the public's benefit;
- Lend our expertise to communities in New Jersey to ensure preservation of local lands;
- Implement a vision of interconnected greenways that optimize the protection of wildlife, plants and water resources and that provide opportunities for recreational trails;
- Inspire a conservation ethic by connecting people with the land.

Perhaps the most significant benefit of preserving the natural

and agricultural landscapes surrounding our cities, towns and villages is that it strengthens these communities by providing, quite literally, "common ground"—a shared continuity of experience with the land that extends across the generations.

We would particularly like to welcome first-time donors to our organization, and members of the Princeton Photography Club, several CWW Houses and Garden Clubs for their collective support.

We are most grateful to the families and individuals who have provided steady support for D&R Greenway's work through the years—see page 17 for acknowledgment of our Steadfast Stewards. We are grateful for your unfailing generosity each and every day.

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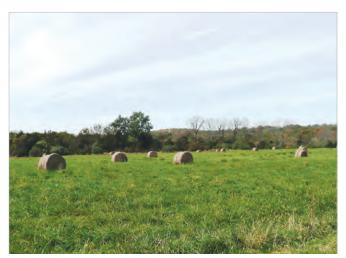
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